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KITUI COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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OFFICIAL REPORT

(THE HANSARD)

Tuesday, 18th June 2024

The County Assembly met at 2:39 p.m.

[Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): Next order.

PAPERS

REPORT BY THE COUNTY BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON CONSIDERATION OF THE
KITUI BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/2025
(Hon. Zacchaeus Syengo -Chairperson, County Budget and Appropriations)

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): Chairperson.

Hon. Zacchaeus Syengo: Mr. Speaker Sir, I wish to lay the following paper. THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Section 131(1) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 as read together with Standing Order No. 179(6), I beg to lay the following paper on the table of the County Assembly today, Tuesday 18th June 2024; Report by the County Budget and Appropriations Committee on consideration of Kitui County Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2024/2025.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): Next order

NOTICE OF MOTION

MOTION ON ADOPTION OF THE REPORT BY THE COUNTY BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS
COMMITTEE ON CONSIDERATION OF THE KITUI BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR
2024/2025

(Hon. Zacchaeus Syengo -Chairperson, County Budget and Appropriations)

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): Chairperson.

Hon. Zacchaeus Syengo: Mr. Speaker Sir, I wish to give notice of the following motion; Motion on adoption of Report by the County Budget and Appropriations Committee on consideration of Kitui County Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2024/2025. THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Section 131(1) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 as

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read together with Standing Order No. 179(6), this Assembly hereby adopts Report by the County Budget and Appropriations Committee on the consideration of Kitui County Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2024/2025 laid on the table of the County Assembly today, Tuesday 18th June 2024.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): Before we proceed, Hon Members, make sure that you go through this Budget Report overnight before we meet tomorrow because this is the main budget for the financial year and so you should make an informed decision when you have already gone through the entire report.

(The Deputy Majority Whip, Hon. Godfrey Ndagara rose sought to contribute)

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): Hon. Ndagara

Hon. Godfrey Ndagara: Mr. Speaker thank you for the directive because budgeting is very important and it is good that we get acquainted with it the third since we got elected and has a lot of concern for many of us and therefore in advance, I want to thank the Budget Committee. We were expecting our Chair to tell us that he was seeking for more time but thank God he has adhered to what we told him and we really appreciate. I want to talk about a different issue. You realise the public is quite concerned out of the budget. They are calling us every time and I know many of my colleagues have been called by people that we should not pass the Finance Bill. So the public do not know the difference between the National Assembly and the County Assembly. Therefore, I think it is good you give us the time to tell our MPs the position of the many people who are calling us to tell us to tell them. I know it is not our issue but since the people of Kitui are quite concerned about the Finance Bill, I think you should give us two to three minutes to ventilate on it. This will be of paramount importance.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Paul Maluki): We have heard you Hon. Ndagara but as far as I'm concerned, that is not part of our today's business and even if we were to give our opinions here, they don't really matter. But you can call your people and tell them whether you are opposing or in support. That will make more sense than discussing it here. The County Government of Kitui is going to bring its own Finance Bill through the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning. That is when now the members of public can raise their concern after going through the Bill. Chair, Budget thank you for tabling the report as we agreed last week. We know it is tedious and very engaging. Once again Members make sure before you leave for home you get a copy of the Budget Committee Report and acquaint yourself with the resolutions before the debate tomorrow.

Hon. members let us be upstanding so as to adjourn the House.

ADJOURNMENT

The House remains adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday, 19th June 2024 at 9 a.m.

The County Assembly rose at 2:50 p.m.